

REMARKS

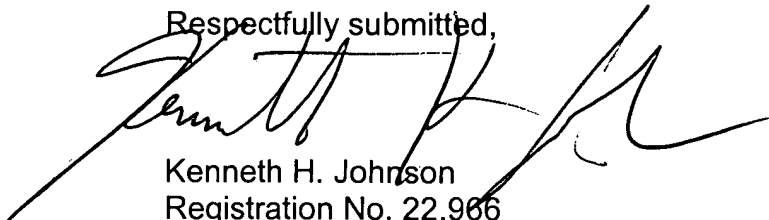
Claims 1-3 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, for the reasons of record. The claims were amended to overcome this rejection. Specifically:

1. The reference to ASTM test method D5726 was amended to clarify that the phrase "greater than 2.5 feet" refers to the value determined by the test.
2. The terms "Mw" and "Mn" were replaced with "weight average molecular weight" and "number average molecular weight" (what is consistent with the definitions that are given in the disclosure, at second complete paragraph of page 6).

Applicants respectfully submit that no new matter is raised by these amendments.

Applicants respectfully submit that the amended claims obviate this rejection. Applicants respectfully submit that amended application is in condition for Allowance and such Allowance is courteously solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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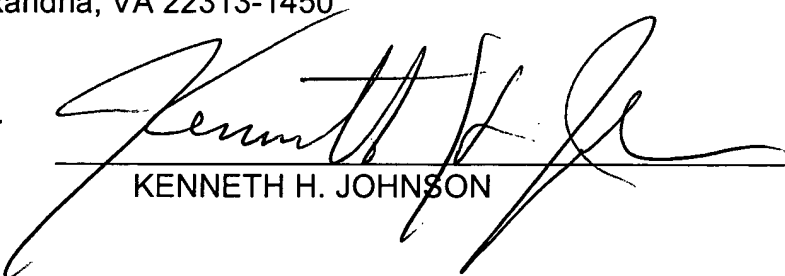


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